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WC Docket No. 02-269 Federal-State Joint Conference on Accounting Issues

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On October 30, 2003 David Cartwright and the undersigned representing SBC Communications Inc., Mary Henze representing BellSouth, Joann Barron and Gerald Asch representing Verizon, and Betty Knapp and Bill Johnson (via conference line) representing QWest met with Anthony Dale and Jason Williams of Commissioner Martin's office on the above referenced matters. The discussion focused on the recommendations filed by the Federal-State Joint Conference on Accounting Issues (Joint Conference) on October 9, 2003 in the above referenced dockets.

An original and one copy of this Ex Parte are being filed in the Office of the Secretary today, October 31, 2003. Please include it in the public record of the above referenced proceeding as required under Section 1.1206(b)(1) of the Commission's rules.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "m. thomas", written over a horizontal line.

cc: Mr. Dale
Mr. Williams
Mr. Asch
Ms. Barron
Mr. Cartwright
Ms. Henze
Mr. Johnson
Ms. Knapp

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